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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE DELIVERED: REQUEST TO COSTA RICA TO  
RESETTLE CUBAN MIGRANTS PROTECTED IN GUANTANAMO

REF: STATE 30767

[1](#)1. (SBU) On April 1 we delivered reftel request to Randolph Coto, Acting Deputy Director General of the Foreign Policy Division of the MFA and to Carlos Cordero Madrigal, Director of the Disarmament, Terrorism and Organized Crime section of the MFA. Coto and Cordero thanked us for the information and indicated that the final authority on these issues would be Mario Zamora, Director General of the Immigration Department of the GOCR. We will meet with Zamora on April 8 to discuss the request.

[1](#)2. (SBU) Separately, visiting WHA DAS Kirsten Madison raised the issue on April 1 with President Oscar Arias. Madison thanked Arias for Costa Rica's history of accepting Cuban migrants and informed him that even more migrants needed homes. Arias was noncommittal, but seemed pleased that we recognized the GOCR's past support.

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